

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and the remarks that follow.

I. Status of the Claims

Claims 13-24 and 44 are cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. Applicant reserves the right, however, to pursue the subject matter of the cancelled claims in one or more divisional applications. Claims 6, 7 and 25-43 were previously cancelled. Claims 1-5 and 8-12 are currently pending.

Applicant thanks the examiner for indicating that claims 1-5 and 8-12 are allowed.

II. Lack of Descriptive Support Rejection Is Moot

Claims 13-16 are rejected under 35 USC 112-first paragraph as lacking descriptive support. In particular, it is the PTO's contention that the specification fails to teach a system that emits "only UVA light." Although Applicant does not agree with the PTO's remarks, Applicant has cancelled claims 13-16 in an attempt to advance prosecution, thus, rendering this rejection moot.

III. Obviousness Rejection Is Moot

A. Claims 13-21 are rejected under 35 USC § 103(a) as unpatentable over the combined teachings of Dotty, Wolff and Dutta (each previously cited). Applicant does not acquiesce to the propriety of this rejection, but has cancelled claims 13-21 to advance prosecution. Thus, the rejection is moot.

B. Claims 22-24 and 44 are rejected under 35 USC § 103(a) as unpatentable over Dotty in view of Wolff and Dutta and further in view of Salansky. Again, Applicant does not acquiesce to the propriety of this rejection. However, to advance prosecution Applicant has cancelled claims 22-24 and 44.

Pursuant to these amendments and the PTO's remarks that claims 1-5 and 8-12 are allowable, Applicant believes that this application is in condition for allowance and requests the PTO to inform the Applicant of the same.

CONCLUSION


The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned if any issue warrants further consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 - 1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to same deposit account. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicants hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees from the deposit account .